



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20463

AUG 16 2004

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

James E. Merritt
5013 Bayshore Road
Sarasota, FL 34234

RE: MUR 5354
Schneider for Congress and Harold
Schneider, as treasurer

Dear Mr. Merritt:

On June 24, 2004, the Federal Election Commission reviewed the allegations in your complaint filed on March 5, 2003 and found on the basis of the information provided in your complaint and information provided by Schneider for Congress ("the Committee"), to take no action with respect to the allegations in MUR 5354 that the Committee violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(b). Accordingly, on June 24, 2004, the Commission closed the file in this matter.

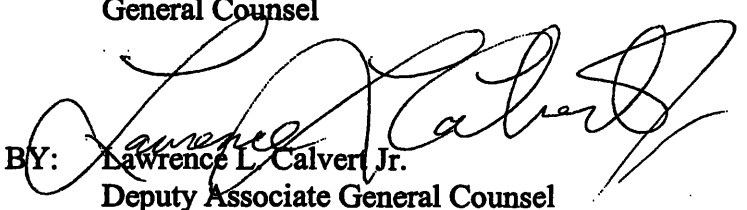
Documents related to this matter will be placed on the public record within 30 days. *See* Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files, 68 Fed. Reg. 70,426 (Dec. 18, 2003). Copies of the dispositive General Counsel's Report and the Commission's Certifications are enclosed for your information.

The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, allows a complainant to seek

judicial review of the Commission's dismissal of this action. *See* 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(8).

Sincerely,

Lawrence H. Norton
General Counsel

BY: 
Lawrence L. Calvert Jr.
Deputy Associate General Counsel
for Enforcement

Enclosures

General Counsel's Report dated June 21, 2004
Amended Certification dated June 28, 2004
Memorandum to the Commission dated August 4, 2004
Corrected Certification dated August 9, 2004